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ENGROSSED SENATE BILL No. 220

DIGEST OF SB 220 (Updated March 28, 2007 5:14 pm - DI 96)

Citations Affected: IC 9-13; IC 9-20.

Synopsis: Various transportation matters. Provides that beginning July 1, 2007, sections of State Roads 3 and 9 and U.S. 20 are extra heavy duty highways. Specifies that the total gross weight, with load, of a vehicle or combination of vehicles operated with a special weight permit on these highways may not exceed 90,000 pounds. Provides that a maximum length for a school bus is 42 feet. Repeals language pertaining to categories of school buses.

Effective: July 1, 2007.

Kruse, Mishler

(HOUSE SPONSORS — GIAQUINTA, STUTZMAN, LEONARD, DODGE)

January 8, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Homeland Security, Transportation & Veterans Affairs.

January 30, 2007, reported favorably — Do Pass.

February 6, 2007, read second time, ordered engrossed. Engrossed.

February 12, 2007, read third time, passed. Yeas 49, nays 0.

HOUSE ACTION

February 26, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.

April 2, 2007, amended, reported — Do Pass.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2006 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 9-20-5-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.17-2006,
2 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3 JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 4. In addition to the highways established and
4 designated as heavy duty highways under section 1 of this chapter, the
5 following highways are designated as extra heavy duty highways:
6 (1) Highway 41, from 129th Street in Hammond to Highway 312.
7 (2) Highway 312, from Highway 41 to State Road 912.
8 (3) Highway 912, from Michigan Avenue in East Chicago to the
9 U.S. 20 interchange.
10 (4) Highway 20, from Clark Road in Gary to Highway 39.
11 (5) Highway 12, from one-fourth (1/4) mile west of the Midwest
12 Steel entrance to Highway 249.
13 (6) Highway 249, from Highway 12 to Highway 20.
14 (7) Highway 12, from one and one-half (1 1/2) miles east of the
15 Bethlehem Steel entrance to Highway 149.
16 (8) Highway 149, from Highway 12 to a point thirty-six
17 hundredths (.36) of a mile south of Highway 20.

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- (9) Highway 39, from Highway 20 to the Michigan state line.
 - (10) Highway 20, from Highway 39 to Highway 2.
 - (11) Highway 2, from Highway 20 to Highway 31.
 - (12) Highway 31, from the Michigan state line to Highway 23.
 - (13) Highway 23, from Highway 31 to Olive Street in South Bend.
 - (14) Highway 35, from South Motts Parkway thirty-four hundredths (.34) of a mile southeast to the point where Highway 35 intersects with the overpass for Highway 20/Highway 212.
 - (15) State Road 249 from U.S. 12 to the point where State Road 249 intersects with Nelson Drive at the Port of Indiana.
 - (16) State Road 912 from the 15th Avenue and 169th Street interchange one and six hundredths (1.06) miles north to the U.S. 20 interchange.
 - (17) U.S. 20 from the State Road 912 interchange three and seventeen hundredths (3.17) miles east to U.S. 12.
 - (18) U.S. 6 from the Ohio state line to State Road 9.
 - (19) U.S. 30 from Allen County/Whitley County Line Road (also known as County Road 800 East) to State Road 9.
 - (20) State Road 9 from U.S. 30 to U.S. 6.
 - (21) State Road 39 from Interstate 80 to U.S. 20.
 - (22) State Road 3 north from U.S. 6 to U.S. 20, U.S. 20 west from State Road 3 to State Road 9, State Road 9 north from U.S. 20 to the Michigan state line. However, the total gross weight, with load, of a vehicle or combination of vehicles operated with a special weight permit on these highways may not exceed ninety thousand (90,000) pounds.**
- SECTION 2. IC 9-20-5-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 5. The maximum size and weight limits for vehicles operated with a special weight permit on an extra heavy duty highway are as follows:
- (1) A vehicle may not have a maximum wheel weight, unladen or with load, in excess of eight hundred (800) pounds per inch width of tire, measured between the flanges of the rim.
 - (2) A single axle weight may not exceed eighteen thousand (18,000) pounds.
 - (3) An axle in an axle combination may not exceed thirteen thousand (13,000) pounds per axle, with the exception of one (1) tandem group that may weigh sixteen thousand (16,000) pounds per axle or a total of thirty-two thousand (32,000) pounds.
 - (4) **Except as provided in section 4(22) of this chapter**, the total gross weight, with load, of any vehicle or combination of vehicles

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1 may not exceed one hundred thirty-four thousand (134,000)
2 pounds.
3 (5) Axle spacings may not be less than three (3) feet, six (6)
4 inches, between each axle in an axle combination.
5 (6) Axle spacings may not be less than eight (8) feet between each
6 axle or axle combination.
7 SECTION 3. IC 9-20-8-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS
8 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 2. The maximum length limitations
9 for buses are as follows:
10 (1) For an articulating bus used for public transportation
11 purposes, sixty-five (65) feet.
12 ~~(2) For a conventional school bus, thirty-eight (38) feet.~~
13 ~~(3) (2)~~ For a transit school bus, forty-two (42) feet.
14 ~~(4) (3)~~ For all others, forty-five (45) feet.
15 SECTION 4. THE FOLLOWING ARE REPEALED [EFFECTIVE
16 JULY 1, 2007]: IC 9-13-2-36; IC 9-13-2-186.

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SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senator Mishler be added as second author of Senate Bill 220.

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 COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 220, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is made to Senate Bill 220 as introduced.)

WYSS, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0.

 COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Roads and Transportation, to which was referred Senate Bill 220, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 2, line 22, delete "Beginning the July 1 after the Indiana department of" and insert "**State Road 3 north from U.S. 6 to U.S. 20, U.S. 20 west from State Road 3 to State Road 9, State Road 9 north from U.S. 20 to the Michigan state line. However, the total gross weight, with load, of a vehicle or combination of vehicles operated with a special weight permit on these highways may not exceed ninety thousand (90,000) pounds.**

SECTION 2. IC 9-20-5-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 5. The maximum size and weight limits for vehicles operated with a special weight permit on an extra heavy duty highway are as follows:

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(4) **Except as provided in section 4(22) of this chapter**, the total gross weight, with load, of any vehicle or combination of vehicles may not exceed one hundred thirty-four thousand (134,000) pounds.

(5) Axle spacings may not be less than three (3) feet, six (6) inches, between each axle in an axle combination.

(6) Axle spacings may not be less than eight (8) feet between each axle or axle combination.

SECTION 3. IC 9-20-8-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: Sec. 2. The maximum length limitations for buses are as follows:

(1) For an articulating bus used for public transportation purposes, sixty-five (65) feet.

~~(2) For a conventional school bus, thirty-eight (38) feet.~~

~~(3)~~ (2) For a transit school bus, forty-two (42) feet.

~~(4)~~ (3) For all others, forty-five (45) feet.

SECTION 4. THE FOLLOWING ARE REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2007]: IC 9-13-2-36; IC 9-13-2-186."

Page 2, delete lines 23 through 31.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 220 as printed January 31, 2007.)

AUSTIN, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 10, nays 0.

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